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SUBJECT: DUARTE STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OF NICARAGUAN IN SALVADOR

1. THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENCY IS ISSUING THE FOLLOWING
WRITTEN STATEMENT AS OF 1130 LOCAL SAN SALVADOR.

2. STATEMENT OF JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE, PRESIDENT OF THE

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REVOLUTIONARY JUNTA GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR IN THE CASE
OF NICARAGUAN CITIZEN LIGDAMIS ANAXIS GUTIERREZ ESPINOZA.

3. "LET ME CONFIRM THE INFORMATION GIVEN BY SPOKESMEN
FOR THE ARMED FORCES RELATIVE TO THE CAPTURE OF MR.
LIGDAMIS ANAXIS GUTIERREZ ESPINOZA WHICH TOOK PLACE
FEBRUARY 22, 1982 NEAR THE CUSTOMS POST IN LAS
CHINAMAS, DEPARTMENT OF AHUACHAPAN.

4. "MR. GUTIERREZ CONFESSED BEFORE NATIONAL POLICE
DETECTIVES THAT HE HAD FOUGHT IN THE SANDINISTA
REVOLUTION, HAD BEEN RECRUITED BY THE GOVERNMENT
OF NICARAGUA TO RECEIVE FURTHER TRAINING IN MODERN
WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES AND HAD BEEN SENT TO MEXICO
ALONG WITH OTHER NICARAGUANS FOR SPECIAL TRAINING
IN GUERRILLA WARFARE. HIS INSTRUCTORS WERE TWO
NICARAGUANS AND ONE CUBAN. AT THE END OF THIS
TRAINING, HE WAS SENT TO SALVADOR FROM MEXICO BY
HIS NICARAGUAN INSTRUCTOR CODE-NAMED "WILLIAM"
FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF SHARING HIS TRAINING
WITH INEXPERIENCED SUBVERSIVES IN EASTERN EL SALVADOR.
HIS CONTACTS IN SALVADOR WERE TO INCLUDE TWO
INDIVIDUALS, ONE CODE-NAMED "JORGE" WITHIN
THE MEXICAN EMBASSY IN SALPY
OR AND THE OTHER CODE-
NAMED "DAVID"

5. "THE NATIONAL POLICE HAVE WRITTEN A REPORT
WITH ALL THE INFORMATION INCLUDING THE DOCUMENTATION
OF THE ARREST, THE CONFESSION IN DETAIL GIVEN ON
TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS, HIS PASSPORT, AND SPOKEN
PORTRAIT OF THE PERSON WITH THE PSEUDONYM "JORGE".
ONLY A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION BASED ON THE ORIGINAL
REPORT OF THE INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN RELEASED TO THE
PRESS. THE ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT OF THE INVESTIGATIVE
REPORT IS AVAILABLE TO THE PRESS FOR CONSULTATION.

6. "MR. GUTIERREZ WAS BROUGHT BY THE NATIONAL POLICE
TO THE MEXICAN EMBASSY ON MARCH 1, 1982 TO ATTEMPT
TO IDENTIFY "JORGE". WHEN MR. GUTIERREZ USED THE
COZO-WORD "JORGE" AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE MEXICAN

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EMBASSY, HE WAS FORCIBLY SEIZED BY A MAN AND BROUGHT
INTO A HOUSE OCCUPIED BY THE DIPLOMATIC MISSION.
THE PERSON WHO TOOK THIS ACTION STIPULATING DIPLOMATIC
INVIOABILITY AND THE RIGHT OF ASYLUM FOR MR.
GUTIERREZ WAS LATER IDENTIFIED AS THE MEXICAN
CHARGE D'AFFAIRES.

7. "MR. GUTIERREZ' CONFESSION AND OTHER EVIDENCE IN
POSSESSION OF THE SALVADORAN NATIONAL POLICE ESTABLISH
BEYOND ANY DOUBT WHATSOEVER THAT HE IS AN AGENT
OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NICARAGUA, TRAINED IN MEXICO
TO ASSIST IN THE EXTERNALLY SUPPORTED ATTEMPT TO
OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR THROUGH
TERRORISM AND VIOLENCE. THIS PROVES ONCE AGAIN
THE INTERVENTION OF FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AND FORCES
CRIMINALLY SUPPORTING SEDITION AND TERRORISM WHICH
HARMS THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE.
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